

# **AADGB**

## **ARIZONA ASSOCIATION OF DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARDS**

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 22, 2011 MEETING – 10am  
MARICOPA COMMUNITY COLLEGES BOARD ROOM  
2411 W. 14<sup>th</sup> ST. TEMPE, AZ 85261**

### **AADGB OFFICERS PRESENT:**

**Dale Fitzner, Chair  
Judy Selberg, Vice Chair  
Ginny Handorf, Sec/Treas**

**DGB Member, Yavapai CC District  
DGB Member, Mohave CC District  
DGB Member, Navajo CC District**

### **AADGB MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**John Eaton, DGB Member  
Nat White, DGB Member  
Doyle Burke, DGB Member  
Ginny Handorf, DGB Member  
Gladys Christensen, DGB Member  
Dale Fitzner, DGB Member**

**Cochise District  
Coconino District  
Maricopa District  
Navajo District  
Pinal District  
Yavapai District**

### **PRESENT VIA TELEPHONE SYSTEM:**

**Judy Selberg, DGB Member  
Randy Hartless, DGB Member**

**Mohave District  
Yuma/LaPaz District**

### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

#### **I. Welcome**

**Dale Fitzner, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10 am. He ascertained a quorum and welcomed all present.**

#### **II. Approval of the Agenda**

**Dale requested approval of the Agenda for this Meeting.  
MOTION: Gladys Christensen. SECONDED: Ginny Handorf. APPROVED.**

#### **III. Approval of the January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Minutes**

**Dale requested approval of the Minutes.  
MOTION: John Eaton. SECONDED: Gladys Christensen. APPROVED.**

#### **IV. Nominating Committee Report**

The Nominating Committee, comprised of Nat White, Gladys Christensen and Dale Fitzner, presented the following Slate of AADGB Officers for 2011-2012:

For PRESIDENT – Judy Selberg

For VICE PRESIDENT – Ginny Handorf

For SECRETARY/TREASURER – Randy Hartless

**MOTION to Approve: Doyle Burke. SECONDED: Gladys Christensen. APPROVED.**

#### **V. AZ SBDC 2011 Success Awards & Legislative Luncheon**

The general consensus was that this program provided a marvelous opportunity, not only to showcase the AZ Community Colleges' achievements in enhancing small business development, but also by providing an opportunity for our members to meet personally with state legislators to express our goals, needs, and collective vision. It was decided that Dale, as current president, and Judy, as incoming president, would send a note to AZ SBDC, expressing our support for the event, our suggestion that it continue to be held at the Capitol grounds again next year, and our interest in helping in whatever way that we can.

#### **VI. Baccalaureate Degrees at Community Colleges (HB 2277)**

Doyle announced that the bill did not pass, but reminded all that it will no doubt come up again.

Discussion comments included: concern over University extended campuses; history of University/Community College relationships; "One size does not fit all"; there is money for campuses, but not for people; community colleges' contributions to success; the need to uphold freedom of choice; the fact that advances in technology will help in many aspects over time; and a reminder of the House Speaker's words at the event: "Education is our best national defense!"

#### **VII. AADGB Website Report**

Randy explained that the website was "pretty much" up to date and he invited everyone to visit the site and to feel free to update any changes. The site now contains links to our legislators, the AZ Capitol Times, and ABOR. All were pleased and expressed our thanks to Randy for all his work.

### **VIII. "Getting Ahead" Report**

Nat provided a handout of the items he felt were relevant to AADGB. His report included:

- The significance of the ACCPC-CC Vision/Metrics: that the Legislature, Governor, and Universities now begin to understand the Community Colleges common vision.
- The growing effort to combine this with ABOR's vision in line with Getting Ahead.
- The fact that our "results," for which we need funding, include Associate degrees, Pathways to Baccalaureate degrees, State and Local Workforce Development, and Community Learning.
- The "center piece" under Getting Ahead appears to be a one-stop shopping website, which will require an enormous coordination.

### **IX. Financial Report**

Ginny stated that our current balance is \$16, 023.27, not including the cost of the today's luncheon - \$87.98. Some discussion of use followed.

Nat **MOVED** to purchase a plaque to be presented to John Lines for his many years of dedicated service to AADGB. **SECONDED: Doyle Burke. APPROVED.**

### **X. District Reports**

**CENTRAL AZ COLLEGE:** Gladys shared that they had approved their budget and were working on a \$100 million bond issue for the start of a new campus and renovations of older areas.

**COCHISE:** John commented that, as always, he is incredibly grateful for the equalization funding. He also mentioned that when the state changed the rates for retirement insurance, his board was able to cover that increase for their employees.

**COCONINO:** Nat reported that their state aid had dropped from 40% to 6% and that they were losing faculty by attrition, decreasing the number and varieties of classes, and also increasing size requirements.

**MARICOPA:** Doyle stated that they had established some new policies regarding Governing Board/Management, and that the clearly stated "you will not" style of the Carver materials was most helpful in this process.

**MOHAVE:** Judy announced that they have raised their faculty pay by 3.5% and their staff by 1%. They are restructuring the retirement system and upgrading the science labs. They no longer build their budget on state funding, but have had to release some of their staff and cut down on sites and classes. Their current focus is the selection of a new president, to be announced in May. They have also refinanced some bond projects at great savings!

**NORTHLAND PIONEER COLLEGE:** Ginny mentioned that they, too, had approved their budget and increased faculty and staff salaries and that the ACCT Trustee Handbook and Policies of Governance had been particularly helpful during portions of the budget debates.

**YUMA/LA PAZ:** Randy shared that they were okay budget-wise, were promoting classes in green technology, installing and servicing solar facilities, and that they had acreage for new companies to use solar panels. He is interested in a technology fund: \$6 per full-time student, for longitudinal study for the state, in the Dept. of Educ. Budget.

**YAVAPAI:** Dale reported that the state had cut their amount by \$4.5 million dollars.

## **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Dale adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:00 noon.  
A luncheon followed.

Ginny Handorf, Secretary/Treasurer